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SUBJECT: GIEREK COMMENTS ON BRANDT RESIGNATION

REF: WARSAW 2545 AND 2526

1. PARTY FIRST SECRETARY GIEREK IN A SPEECH AT THE ZBOWID
VETERANS' ORGANIZATION'S FIFTH CONGRESS ON MAY 8 MADE THE
FOLLOWING STATEMENT CONCERNING BRANDT:

"THE DEPARTURE OF CHANCELLOR BRANDT HAS ASTONISHED
INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION, WHOSE GREAT RESPECT
HE HAD EARNED. WE PRESUME THAT THE FRG GOVERN-
MENT WILL CONTINUE (HIS) POSITIVE COURSE.

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"A MATTER OF FUNDAMENTAL SIGNIFICANCE IS THE

CONSISTENT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TREATIES THAT
HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED (WITH THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES)
AND FURTHER PROGRESS IN NORMALIZATION OF RELATIONS.
THIS IS IN THE VITAL INTERESTS OF ALL PEOPLES
AND OF SECURITY AND PEACE IN EUROPE."

2. THE CENTRAL PRESS IN ITS REPORTING FROM BONN HAS CONTINUED TO EMPHASIZE THE APPARENT STABILITY OF THE GOVERNING COALITION AND SCHMIDT'S PUBLICLY EXPRESSED DETERMINATION NOT TO CALL EARLY ELECTIONS.

3. COMMENT: GIEREK'S REMARKS REPRESENT THE POLISH LEADERSHIP'S FIRST PUBLIC REACTION TO BRANDT'S RESIGNATION.
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